

Minutes

March 15, 2022
General Meeting

1) The meeting was called to order by Bob Dablow at 7:00PM.

a) Council Members present were Bob Dablow, Tom Berglind, Drew Schwan and Toran Thornton. Adam Jenstead was unable to attend.

b) Others Present were Dan Hanson and Doug Smith.

2) The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

3) Previous Minutes

a) General Meeting – February 15, 2022

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to approve the general meeting minutes for February 15, 2022. It was 2nd by Toran Thornton and the motion carried.

4) City Attorney – Zenas Baer – Tom will follow up with Zenas on getting the equipment that the former water operator took from the water plant returned.

5) City Engineer – Dan Hanson – The plans for the water plant were submitted, but due to a delay at the Department of Health it could be 2 months before they are reviewed. Dan is looking into funding to help rehab our water tower and requested city approval to submit the rehab plans to PFA and Rural Development.

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to authorize Moore Engineering to submit water tower rehab to PFA and Rural Development. It was 2nd by Toran Thornton and the motion carried.

6) Amendments to Agenda – none.

7) Citizens Concerns – none.

8) Old Business

a) Small Cities Grant Items – Nothing new to report.

b) Comprehensive Plan Update – Nothing new to report.

c) Community Center Rental Agreement – Nothing new to report.

9) New Business

a) Lead Service Lines – The State will be requiring a survey of all service lines by October 2024.

b) Possible Water/Waste-water Employees– Norm and Bob met with a few potential candidates to take over the water/sewer position. We will continue conversations with those interested.

10) Maintenance Department – Doug Smith – Doug will contact Fitzgeralds for help removing the sander from the truck until next winter. Many of the streetlights that had been out were finally repaired by Xcel Energy.

11) Water/Sewer Department – Norm Nyland – 765,000 gallons of water were pumped from the plant last month and 951,000 gallons were pumped to the ponds. The pumps in the pit need to be calibrated. We have had compliments from some residents on how well the water

has been recently. Norm has been coming to town and putting in many hours more than we had anticipated in the water plant helping Bob get everything cleaned up and running properly and at \$600.00 per month he is not being compensated enough.

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to raise Norm Nylands monthly salary from \$600.00 per month to \$700.00 per month for his water and sewer duties. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried. Bob Dablow abstained.

12) Treasurers Report – Waiting on the 2021 audit to switch the system over to 2022.

13) Receipts, Disbursements & Claims –

A MOTION was made by Toran Thornton to approve the Claims. It was 2nd by Tom Berglind and the motion carried.

14) Commissioner Reports

a) **Health** – Adam Jenstead – Nothing to report.

b) **Weeds** – Bob Dablow – Nothing to report.

c) **Emergency Management Director** – Randy Schmidt – Not present to report.

d) **Fire & Rescue** – Tom Berglind – Nothing to report.

e) **Parks** – Adam Jenstead – The timer on the lights needs to be adjusted.

f) **Recycling** – Toran Thornton – Nothing to report.

g) **Streets** – Drew Schwan – Street lights have finally been repaired by Xcel Energy.

h) **Zoning** – Tom Berglind – Nothing to report.

15) Adjournment

A MOTION was made by Tom Berglind to adjourn. It was 2nd by Drew Schwan and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Tom Berglind, Vice Mayor

Approved 4-19-22